

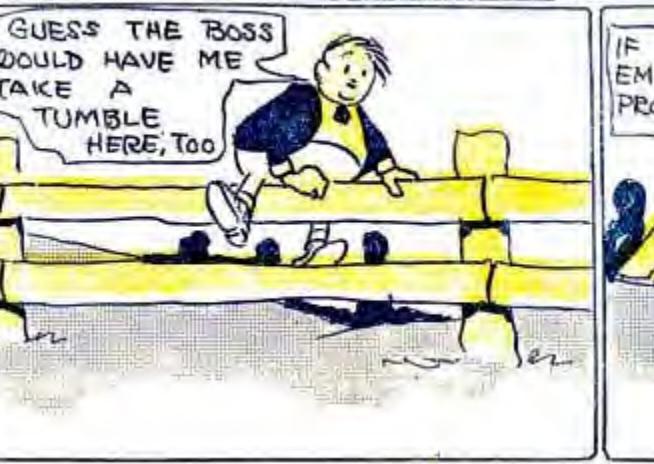
# GENIAL GENE - HIS ROMANCE BEGINS -I



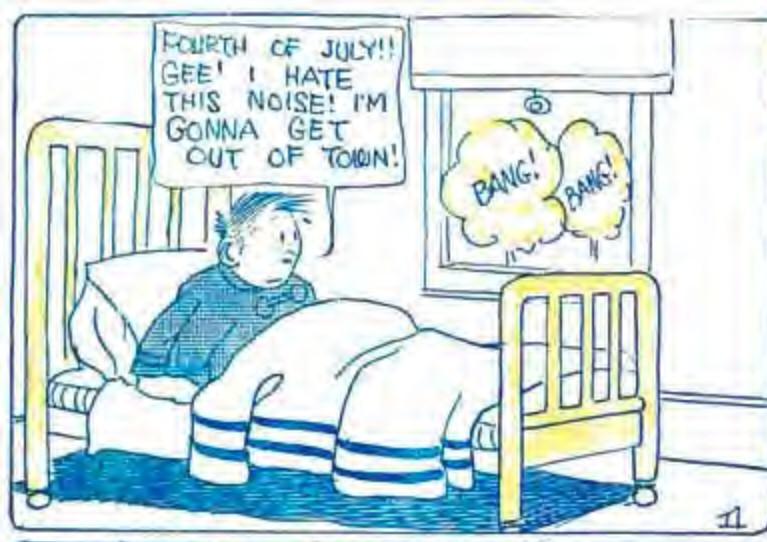
JUST A MINUTE FOLKS,  
AND I'LL BE ON THE  
JOB! I ALWAYS HAVE  
A CHANCE TO  
LOAF A  
LITTLE  
IN THIS  
SPACE!



# GENIAL GENE, WORRIED, TAKES A VACATION-



FOURTH OF JULY!!  
GEE! I HATE  
THIS NOISE! I'M  
GONNA GET  
OUT OF TOWN!



# GENIAL GENE HAS AN INSANE FOURTH

BANG!

I GOT A NICE LETTER FROM ONE OF MY FRIENDS WHO READS ME EVERY SUNDAY. IT SAYS FOR ME TO GET THIN AGAIN. I'LL SHOW IT TO EMILY!

EMILY, LET'S GO ON A PICNIC  
AND GET FAR AWAY FROM  
THIS NOISE! WE'LL GO  
WAY INTO THE COUNTRY!

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SAY! DO  
YOU THINK  
I'M AN EXPRESS  
WAGON? GEE!  
I CAN'T CART THIS  
BASKET OF  
EATS ALL OVER  
THE STATE!

HURRY  
UP,  
GENE!



NO FIREWORKS  
HERE! THIS  
IS WHERE I  
ENJOY A NICE  
QUIET SMOKE!  
DOC YAK  
GAVE ME THIS  
STOGIE!  
SOME SMOKE



A cartoon illustration of a boy named Quin sitting on a log, holding a stick and looking up at a speech bubble from a character named Gene. Gene is telling Quin to help him catch dollywogs in the brook. The scene includes a blue dog, a flower, and a bird in the background.

# GENIAL GENE·THERE'S NO USE TALKING LOVE·

ISN'T THE  
MOON  
WONDERFUL  
TONIGHT,  
EMILY?

YES A  
FULL MOON  
NEVER  
CHANGES  
MUCH! IT'S  
ALWAYS  
ROUND!

SETH HOLLER SEZ  
IF MEN'S FASHIONS  
CHANGED AS OFTEN  
AS WIMMENS, THE  
MEN'D BE SO DURNED  
BUSY KEEPIN' IN  
STYLE THEY WOULDN'T  
HAVE TIME TO FIGGER  
OUT WEATHER  
PREDICTIONS!

FOOLISH TALK FOR—  
HE STOOD ON  
THE BRIDGE AT MIDNIGHT  
BUT THE  
BRIDGE WAS  
THE BRIDGE OF HIS NOSE

SLOOEY!

YOU WILL  
MARRY ME,  
THOUGH,  
WON'T  
YOU,  
EMILY?

WELL,  
I'LL  
TELL  
YOU,  
GENE,—

AN' FURTHERMORE,  
A FELLER DON'T  
HAVE TO WORK!  
THERE'S NO  
LAW AGAINST  
A FELLER STARIN'  
TO DEATH, B'GOSH!

SAY!  
COULDN'T  
YOU HAVE  
WAITED A  
FEW  
MINUTES,  
YA BIG  
BOOB!

WHO INVITED  
YOUR LEAN  
FRIEND TO  
JOIN THE  
PARTY

ON A WARM EARLY FALL EVENING  
WE FIND GENE AND EMILY BASKING  
IN THE GLARE OF A HARVEST MOON

ON THE SAME EVENING - SAME MOON—  
SEVERAL BLOCKS FROM OUR FIRST SCENE —

SWITCHING BACK TO OUR  
FIRST SCENE - NOW GO ON WITH THE  
STORY —

QUIN  
HALL

# GENIAL GENE · HE JUST WANTED INFORMATION THA'ZALL!

